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FARMING OF HERBS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides assistance towards farming of herbs in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): A Central Sector Scheme on development of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants wasapproved for implementation in the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministryof Agriculture during the IX Plan with the financial outlay of Rs. 14.50 crores.The scheme has been subsumed under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on MacroManagement in Agriculture Supplementation/Complementation of State Efforts throughWork Plan with effect from 2000-2001, which provides flexibility to the state to take up programmes as per the needs.

The Components under the scheme include production and distribution of qualityplanting material, establishment and maintenance of herbal gardens, Nursery Centres,establishment of demonstration cum seed production plots, maintenance of regional analytical laboratories and transfer of technology.

(c): Does not arise.